

Senate Resolution 581

By: Senators Pearson of the 51st, Weber of the 40th, Rogers of the 21st and Mullis of the 53rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Georgia Virtual Academy and recognizing Tuesday, March 17, 2009, as
2 Georgia Families for Virtual Academy Day at the state capitol; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Georgia Virtual Academy is a state special on-line charter school with an
4 enrollment of an estimated 4,400 students from 163 different school districts in Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, students of Georgia Virtual Academy follow a daily curriculum, complete home
6 work assignments, take tests, and participate in science projects; and

7 WHEREAS, Georgia Virtual Academy provides for greater parental control in their child's
8 education and is an attractive option for home-school families, families with children facing
9 special needs, or students with health concerns; and

10 WHEREAS, Georgia Virtual Academy provides families with a workable alternative to
11 traditional public schools by offering a high quality education which fosters innovation,
12 creativity, excellence, and pride; and

13 WHEREAS, students who attend Georgia Virtual Academy are required to pass the same
14 state achievement tests as those attending public schools and are instructed by state
15 accredited teachers; and

16 WHEREAS, Georgia Virtual Academy offers parents the option of personalized learning
17 opportunities for their children, customized to meet each child's needs and tailored to their
18 particular learning style and strengths; and

19 WHEREAS, the outstanding education provided by Georgia Virtual Academy is worthy of
20 recognition.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
22 commend Georgia Virtual Academy for offering the students of Georgia an educational
23 option that allows them to thrive and prosper and recognizes Tuesday, March 17, 2009, as
24 Georgia Families for Virtual Academy Day at the state capitol.

25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
26 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Georgia Virtual Academy and Georgia
27 Families for Virtual Academy.